

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA
PRADESH AT HYDERABAD**

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

W.P. No. 18506 OF 2005

Dated : March 28, 2006

Between:

M.Ramesh and others

Petitioners

AND

The Regional Manager,
APSRTC, Warangal Region,
At Hanamkonda and another.

Respondents

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ORAL ORDER:

The case of the petitioners is that they were selected to the post of driver after following due process of selection and as per the norms of the respondent – Corporation, they worked on daily wages. While so, during the period of strike, the petitioners were directed to report duty through the impugned order dated 5.10.2001, but

due to lack of information, they did not report to duty on or before 15.10.2001 for engaging them as Daily Wage Drivers, but since the petitioners failed to report to duty, their names were deleted from the selection list. Therefore, the petitioners came up with this writ petition seeking a direction to the respondents to restore their names in the list of selected candidates protecting their continuity of service.

The grievance of the petitioners is that they were not served with any notice directing them to attend for duties during the strike period and, therefore, they are not aware of the alleged paper notification, said to have been issued by the respondent – Corporation.

When the matter is taken up for hearing, it is represented by the learned counsel for the petitioners that under similar circumstances, this court held that deletion of names from the approved list without conducting any enquiry is bad and, therefore, sought for a similar direction.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondent – Corporation.

As the petitioners were selected and empanelled for being engaged as drivers, their names cannot be deleted from the list unless there is any justifiable reason and that too without conducting enquiry. But, the respondents

deleted the names of the petitioners on the ground that they did not respond to the paper notification, for which the petitioners claim that they are not aware.

Under the above circumstances, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to restore the names of the petitioners in the selected list of drivers and provide the work as is being given to all the empanelled drivers. No order as to costs.

N.V.RAMANA, J.

March 28, 2006
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